



# THE Lantern

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## October 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting: at the OLD Tallahassee Antique Car Museum

The OLD Tallahassee Antique Car Museum is located on Mahan Drive just east of the intersection of Capital Circle and Mahan Drive. The meeting will begin with a catered dinner at 6:45 and continue with a regular meeting at 7:30.

**Menu: Baked ham, tossed salad, creamed corn, butter beans, yeast rolls, desert and tea, all for \$6.50 per person.**

We need as good a body count as possible, so please RSVP to me (John Sullenberger) by Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. I can be reached by telephone at (850) 562-5137 (h) or (850) 544-1870 (c) or (850) 410-8425 (w) or via e-mail at [sullyjws@aol.com](mailto:sullyjws@aol.com).

## 2008 BBMRA Layout Tour – A Large Scale Event

Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> is the BBMRA's next scheduled layout tour. I have four members who have volunteered to host a "stop" on the tour:

Time	Name	Address	City	St	Zip	Scale
10-12	Eric & Ina Ecklund	252 Bay Pine Dr	Crawfordville	FL	32327	G
1-2	Bill McCord	2757 Fox Hollow Ct	Tallahassee	FL	32309	G
2-3	BBMRA Live Steamers	4702 Highgrove Rd	Tallahassee	FL	32309	G Live Steam
4-6	Veterans Memorial Railroad	14043 NW CR 12	Bristol	FL	32321	2' Live Steam

Veterans Memorial Railroad is offering members/interested engineers to take a turn at the throttle of a "Big Boy" toy.

The Apalachee Cafe would be the final stop for dinner.

## "Spooktacular" Halloween Train Rides

Veterans Memorial Railroad is set to host their annual "Spooktacular" Halloween train rides on the following dates: October 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. BBMRA members get to ride free.

## Minutes of September 2008 BBMRA Meeting

The September 16, 2008 Membership Meeting was called to order by President Barrett Johnson at 7:35 pm in the Banquet Room of the old Antique Car Museum. 45 people were present. He acknowledged the thank you letter from the daughter of DeVoe Moore for our participation in the opening of the Antique Car Museum Train exhibit (It was published in the Lantern).

**Minutes:** Minutes of the August 2008 meeting, as published in *The Lantern*, were accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bill Boyle reported a balance of \$2000 plus in the checking account as of this date. The expenses for the storage are paid for 6 months.

### Division Reports:

**Small Scale:** John Sullenberger reported for Garth Easton. He passed on his thanks for all of the work during the museum opening. The N Scalers will also be at Goodwood this Sunday along with Joe Haley and the HO switching layout.

**HO Scale:** Barrett Johnson reported for Sam Miller who announced there will be a work day Saturday Sept. 27 at the museum.

**Switching Layout:** Joe Haley reported nothing new.

**Large Scale:** Randy Lombardo reported they have some new Lionel pieces.

**Veteran's Memorial – Bristol:** No report this month.

**Good of the Group Comments, Etc.:**

John Sullenberger updated us on the layout tour that will be on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008. It will be basically a “large” scale event as the first stop is Eric Ecklund from 10:00 – 12:00, Bill McCord from 1:00 to 2:00 (Bill has moved to Port Orange but will be in Tallahassee to participate in the Tour), Live Steam from 2:00 – 4:00, and Veterans Memorial in Bristol will be from 4:00 – 6:00 and then there is a buffet restaurant in Bristol anyone can go to for supper.

**Antique Car Museum Update:**

There was lengthy discussion concerning the challenge from Sal for us to operate the layouts on the weekends. A signup sheet was passed around.

John Sullenberger announced that we have been invited to participate in the North Florida Fair but due to several factors, including a special weekend at the museum during one of the weekends, he will tell them that we can't participate this year.

The Dothan show is this weekend,

**Program:**

There was no program as we discussed business.

**Guests/New Members:**

Terry Knarr was welcomed as a new member, which brings the membership to 100! He models N scale. He found out about our club at the Museum opening.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be at **7:30p.m., Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008**, at the **Old Antique Car Museum**. Dinner will be catered again for \$6.50 at 6:30p.m. Please contact John Sullenberger if you plan to eat dinner so he can give the caterer a headcount.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm. Respectfully submitted, Lyn Heath, Secretary (thanks again David Brazell!!!!)

## **Kids of All Ages Enjoy Trains at Goodwood** By Larry Benson

Once again, four N Scale members ran two train layouts on Sunday, September 21 when the newly completed Carriage House Conference Center was opened at Goodwood Museum and Gardens in Tallahassee. BBMRA drew the distinction of being the very first organization to have a display in the new facility.

And, once again, kids of all ages flocked to the trains inside the Carriage House crowding around watching and chatting excitedly about the moving trains. Joe Haley ran the “Switching” layout while Susan Brock issued BBMRA Junior Engineer Certificates to those young youngsters who successfully completed the JEC program. Garth Easton and I manned his small, double-track N Scale layout which also attracted attention while raising a lot of questions and comments from watchers about model railroading.

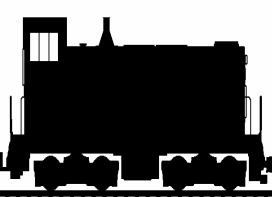
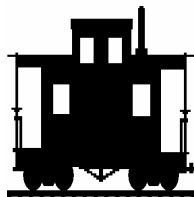
Between 1200 and 1500 visitors attended the event which was held from 1 pm to 5 pm on a delightful Sunday afternoon. Cookies, punch, popcorn and ice cream were served in the gardens. Rides in a snow white carriage drawn by a gentle black horse proved popular. Goodwood Executive Director Larry Paarlburg said, as the event was drawing to a close, that his staff works hard to educate people about the museum and gardens but, when it comes right down to it, our trains and carriage rides seem to do a great job.

We think quite a few kids and their parents are now better educated about BBMRA and model railroading, too.



## **TALLAHASSEE MODEL RAILROAD SHOW & SALE**

**Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – North Florida Fairgrounds, Building #4 – 10 am to 5 pm**  
**Adults & Children 13 and older: \$5 – Children 12 and younger are free – Free Parking**



# 2008 Big Bend Model Railroad Association Layout Tour: October 18<sup>th</sup> – A Large Scale Event

Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> is the BBMRA's next scheduled layout tour. This year is different; it's a Large Scale affair. Three G Scalars and one 2 foot gauger make up this year's tour. The stops do not overlap this year. Please note that there is a one hour gap between Eric & Ina Ecklund's and Bill McCord's stop, this allows members to travel from Crawfordville to Tallahassee, perhaps getting lunch without having to miss anything.

**10 am - 12 noon**

**Eric & Ina Ecklund**

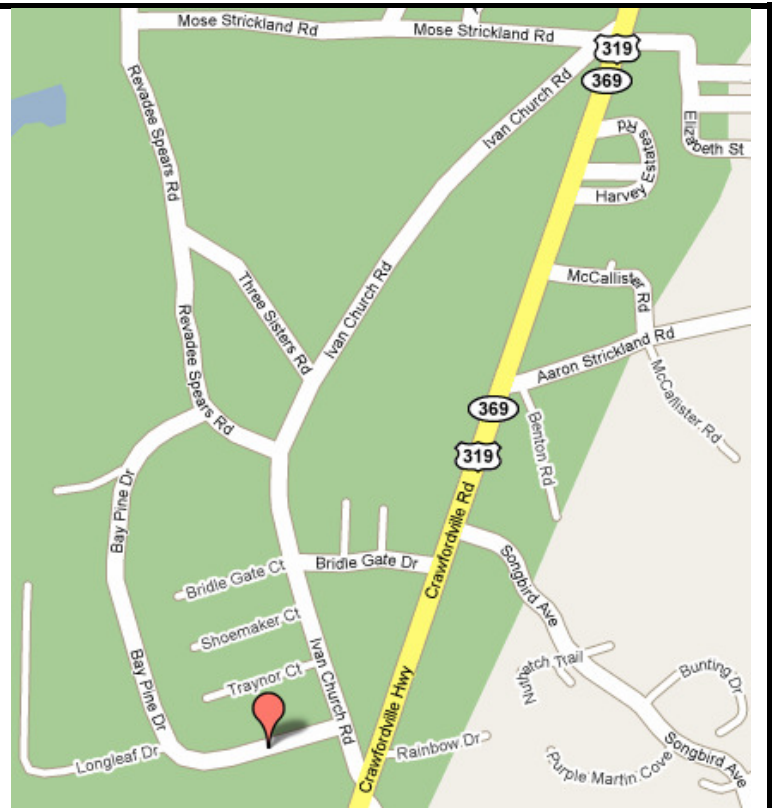
**252 Bay Pine Dr, Crawfordville**

**Drive south** on US 319/Crawfordville Road to Crawfordville, Florida

**Turn right** onto Ivan Church Road

**Turn onto** Bay Pine Drive

**The house** is the third house on the left



**1 pm - 2 pm**

**Bill McCord**

**2757 Fox Hollow Ct, Tallahassee**

**Driving east** on Centerville Road, cross under Interstate 10

**Turn left** onto Cameron Chase Dr

**Turn left** onto Lake Run Dr

**Turn left** onto Fox Hollow Ct

**The house** is in the cul-de-sac

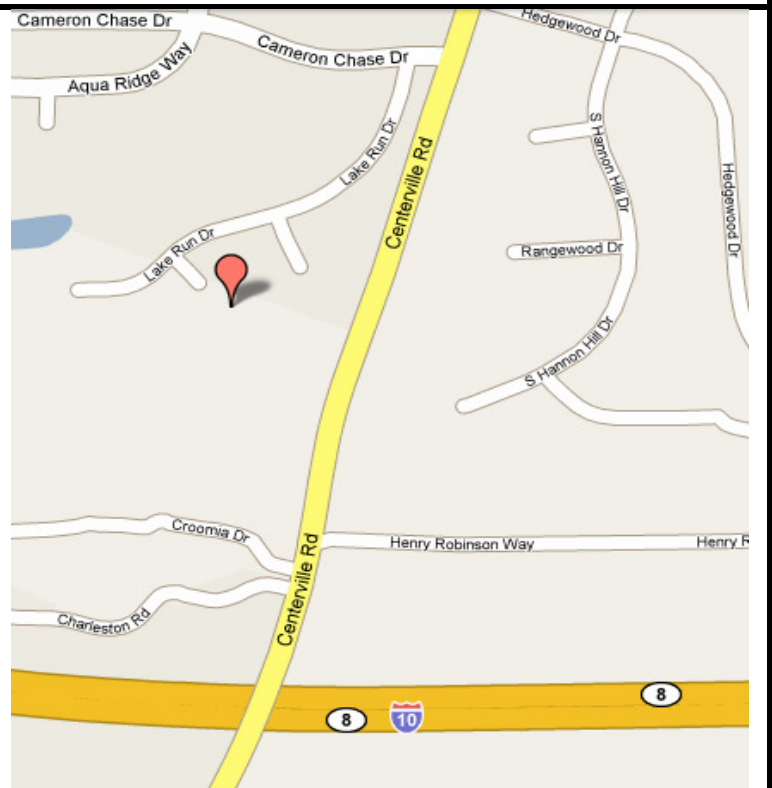
**Driving west** on Centerville Road

**Turn right** onto Cameron Chase Dr

**Turn left** onto Lake Run Dr

**Turn left** onto Fox Hollow Ct

**The house** is in the cul-de-sac



**2 pm - 4 pm**

**Live Steamers**

**4702 Highgrove Rd, Tallahassee**

**Heading north** on US 318/Thomasville Road

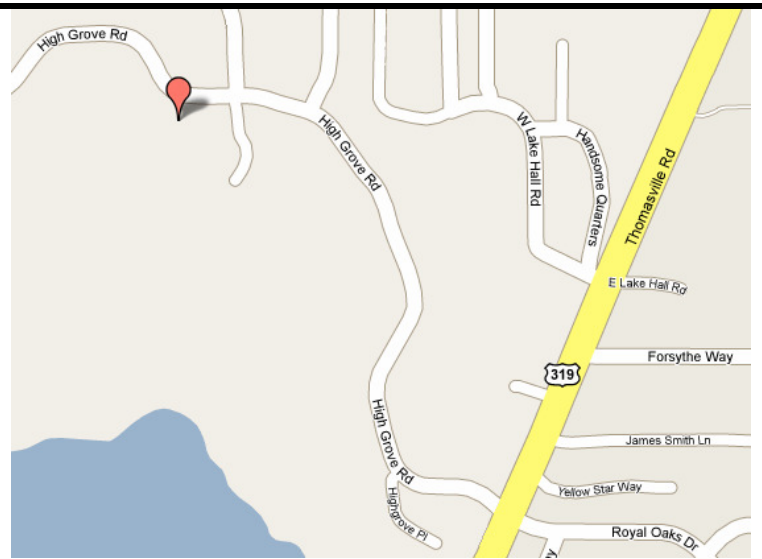
**Turn left** onto High Grove Road

**The house** is down a ways on the left

**Heading south** on US 318/Thomasville Road

**Turn right** onto High Grove Road

**The house** is down a ways on the left



**4 pm - 6 pm**

**Veteran's Memorial Railroad - 14043 NW CR 12, Bristol**

**Drive west** on State Road 20/Blountstown Highway to Bristol, Florida

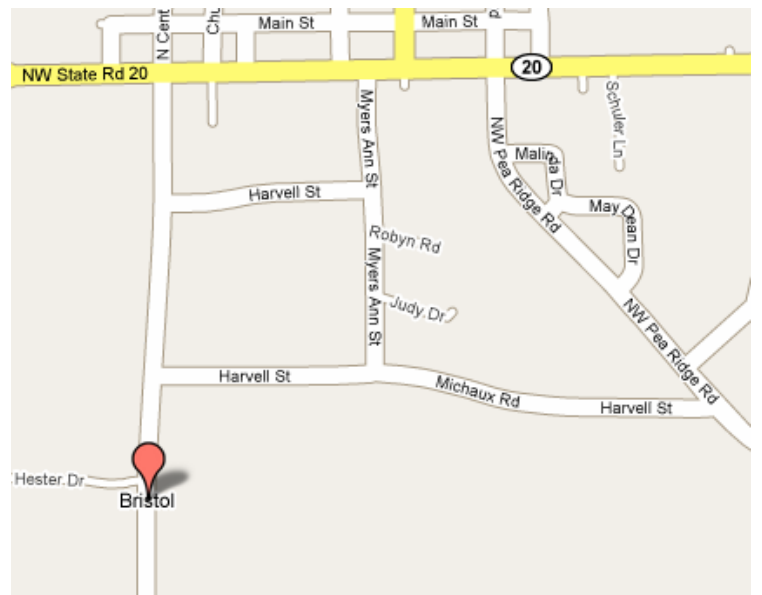
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**Drive west** on I-10 to SR 12 exit (approx Mile Marker 174) and go left through Greensboro to Bristol on SR 12; at junction of SR 12 and SR 20 in Bristol turn right

**At stoplight** turn left on to County Road 12 and go about 1/4 mile to Theo Jacobs on left; Theo Jacobs is paved and on the north side of the Civic Center

**Continue on Theo Jacobs** past the new station and full size caboose and turn right on dirt road at the Veterans Memorial Railroad sign

Follow the dirt road straight ahead past the playground, restroom and picnic shelter to the small blue station building. The train will probably be out at the station and plainly visible.



**6 pm until.....**

**Apalachee Restaurant**

**10536 NW State Road 20, Bristol**

The Apalachee Café has a pretty comprehensive menu. Several seafood choices, steaks, ground steak, chicken, fried or grilled, a fair salad bar, lots of good home-made desserts. Not a place for dieters. Deep fried stuff is their specialty. Prices are reasonable. No alcohol.